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Cegled.

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1. the infantry and cavalry barracks were occupied by Hungarian troops; only the armored barracks on Tortel ut were occupied by Russians. The Russians had shoulder boards with crossed cannon barrels.

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There is an artillery regimental staff and one battalion here. the rest of the regiment is at Cegledbercel and Alberti-Irsa.

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Four guns were

in the courtyard on Torteli at, 120 mm. in caliber.

There is a Russian command post on Szechenyi ter, and the same colonel who is in the Torteli at installation has been observed there. The following

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8 freight cars at Cegléd, of which were boxcars, the other five held T-34 tanks

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This train probably came from Kupai Kovács Major. ,

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6. The barracks south of Nagykoros, two kmealong the road to Kecskemet, are occupied by a Russian assault gun unit of about battalion strength.

The troops have red shoulder boards. These assault guns have flat shields and resemble the guns of a T-34 tank.

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Kecskemét.

- A Russian armored regiment was quartered in the Dozsa György barracks on Honved út. Last fall one battalion of this regiment was transferred to Izsak, it is said to have prepared the barracks for occupation by Hungarian troops.
- 2. The cavalry barracks on Izsáki út is occupied by a Russian armored unit with T-34 tanks. The tanks are garaged in the roofed riding school. In the building behind, formerly occupied by the blacksmith shop, a tank repair shop has been installed. The barracks was also temporarily occupied by a motorcycle unit of mot over company strength.

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- 3. On Szechényi tér is the Otthom Mozi movie house, which is reserved for Russiam troops. The hall has been made into a camteen for mon-commissioned officers and privates, but the film showings are reserved for officers.
- 4. The Rudolf barracks is occupied by an armored regimental command and one battalion. There is much activity here, with staff officers going in and out and a large number of autos.

 Occupied by an antiaircraft battery,

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 The armored unit has heavy tanks in addition to its

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5. Most of the Mussian officers are quartered in private houses,

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6. From the Russian-occupied barracks and command posts there run field telephone
lines toward the south in the direction of Bugaca (sic).

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there is a Russian high command at Bugaca and Bugacamonostor, in the tourist hotels.
Russian troops are also
Szahadszállás and Kerekegyhaza. Russian rocket-projector (Stalin organ) units have been exercising at Agasegyháza.

Orkény-tábor.

- 1. The War Institute for the Study of Fire (Haditechnikai Intézet Lötechnikai Allomasa is at Orkény-tábor). Heavy weapons, both those coming from the Soviet Union and those produced in Hungary are tested here. Both Russian and Hungarian experts are present at this proving ground.
- 2. In the past year there went through Orkeny about 250 T-34 tanks, 70 JB III/1950 tanks, not yet numbered and new from the factory, 70-80 122 mm, guns and 60-70 152 mm, Howitzers. The T-34s went to Esztergom-Kenyérmező tanbur. Jászberény and Gyöngyös, the heavy tanks to Tata and the guns to Szeged, Papa and Miskolc.
- 3. The Orksay damp consists of barracks on the east side of the exercise field, and is divided into a Russian and a Hungarian area.

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